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Dear Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the Communication dated October 1, 2004. The Communication stated that Applicants' reply filed on September 23, 2004 was not fully responsive to the prior written Restriction Requirement because the election did not include election of a specific sequence having a specific identification number as it was previously requested (referring to page 2 of the previous Office Action).

Applicants respectfully note that page 2 of the previous Office Action requests (at page 4) election of a single sequence "identified by a specific sequence identification number or a polypeptide, as indicated above". Applicants misunderstood this statement to mean that identification of a polypeptide by name would suffice. Accordingly, Applicants elected UL26 as the polypeptide (and Group II) for initial examination. As indicated in the claims and elsewhere in the application, U126 corresponds to the amino acid sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 9 of the Sequence Listing.

To avoid further misunderstanding, Applicants re-state the election in response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 26, 2004, as follows:

Applicants elect Group II, namely claims 7-12, 33 and 35, drawn to pharmaceutical compositions comprising an HSV U_L 26 polypeptide (SEQ ID NO: 9) and methods of use, with traverse.

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the restriction requirement in view of the arguments raised in the Response dated September 23, 2004. At the very least, Applicants request the Examiner consider rejoinder of appropriate claim groups upon identification of allowable subject matter and recognition that significant additional search and examination efforts would not be required.

It is also submitted that this application is now in good order for allowance and such allowance is respectfully solicited. Should the Examiner believe minor matters still remain that can be resolved in a telephone interview, the Examiner is urged to call Applicants' undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

GATES & COOPER LLP Attorneys for Applicant(s)

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